

*Los Angeles Regional Agency*  
A Southern California Waste Management Authority

*LARA*

January 26, 2005

Ms. Rosario Marin, Board Chair  
California Integrated Waste Management Board  
1001 "T" Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Marin:

**Re: Request to Add One More Member to the Los Angeles Regional Agency (LARA)**

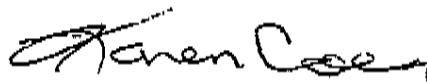
It has been one year this month that the CIWMB approved the formation of the City of Los Angeles Regional Agency. It is an organization of 14 cities that work cooperatively to meet our AB 939 goals on a regional basis.

On January 13, 2005, LARA members voted to allow one additional local city to join LARA. The new member is the City of Hermosa Beach. We think this will be a good addition to the local regional effort in achieving our recycling goals. The addition of Hermosa Beach creates a 'block' of cities that are closely located, which makes serving the membership more efficient.

We request CIWMB to place us on the next available Board agenda for consideration to amend our LARA agency to add the City of Hermosa Beach. Our membership would increase from fourteen to fifteen cities. Attached are the approved JPA from Hermosa Beach (with signatures) as an amendment to Appendix A of the LARA JPA. Also attached are the signed minutes of the January 13<sup>th</sup> LARA Special Meeting. We look forward to working with you and your staff on this request.

If you have any questions, please call me at (213) 473-8242.

Sincerely,



Ms. Karen Coca  
LARA Executive Director  
City of Los Angeles


Copy to: CIWMB Board Members  
LARA Members  
CIWMB Office of Local Assistance

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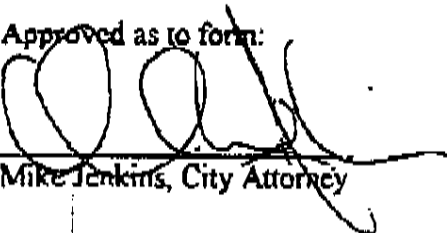
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Attachment A

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT  
LOS ANGELES AREA REGIONAL AUTHORITY**

  
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Mayor, City of Hermosa Beach

Approved as to form:

  
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Mike Jenkins, City Attorney

Attest:

  
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Elaine Doerling, City Clerk

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### Los Angeles Area Regional Agency Board Meeting

Thursday, January 13, 2005

D.E.S. Portuguese Hall, Hall A

11903 Ashworth Street

Artesia, CA 90701

### SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**9:00 A.M. - MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

- I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- II. **Call to Order** - Vice Chair Larry Nelson called the meeting to order.
- III. **ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

Member City	Voting Representative	Present/Absent
Artesia	Larry R. Nelson	P
Beverly Hills	John Garcia	A
Duarte	Margaret Finlay	A
Hidden Hills	Vanessa Tubaces	P
Los Angeles	Michele McManus	P
Lynwood	Oretha Landers	P
Manhattan Beach	De Anna Hilbrants	P
Rancho Palos Verdes	Lauren Ramezani	P
Redondo Beach	Jon Emerson	P
Rosemead	Bill Crowe	A
Pomona	Howard Morris	A
Sierra Madre	Bruce Inman	P
South Gate	Robert T. Dickey	P
Torrance	Alison Sherman	P

**Others present include:**

Karen Coca, LARA Executive Director, City of Los Angeles

Dr. Eugene Tseng, ETseng and Associates, Inc.

Joe Maturino, City of Los Angeles

Nady Maechling, City of Los Angeles

Elinor Mondok, City of Los Angeles

Ted Vasquez, City of Los Angeles

**Guest:** Sol Blumenfeld, City of Hermosa Beach

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#### **IV. CONSIDERATION OF HERMOSA BEACH AS A LARA MEMBER**

Karen Coca opened the discussion by explaining the request by the City of Hermosa Beach to be added as a new LARA member. All LARA members were previously mailed an information package providing detailed information supplied by the City of Hermosa Beach on their recycling programs and status with the CIWMB. A discussion ensued on the pros and cons of allowing a new LARA member. Mr. Sol Blumenfeld, Director of Community Development for the City of Hermosa Beach, spoke for the City. He explained the specifics of the City of Hermosa recycling programs and plans.

After considering various options and suggestions by LARA members, a vote was taken with two (2) voting against and seven (7) voting for the City of Hermosa Beach being allowed to join LARA. LARA members approved the motion to allow the City of Hermosa Beach to become a LARA member. The CIWMB must now be petitioned by LARA to allow for the addition of the new LARA member.

#### **10:10 A.M. – MEETING ADJOURNED**

Notes: If you would like others to receive copies of the LARA Meeting Minutes, please contact Nady Maechling at (213) 473 – 8235 or at [nmaechli@san.lacity.org](mailto:nmaechli@san.lacity.org). Please specify preference for an electronic copy or a paper copy.

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